



Ysgol Frongoch

Cylchlythyr wythnosol – Weekly Newsletter

November 07th 2025

Annwyl rhieni

Croeso nol, welcome back! The second half term in Autumn is always a very exciting and busy time at Frongoch, with the build up to Christmas and everything which comes with this special time of year. Attendance and punctuality is key to allowing each child every opportunity to make the most of their education at school and we hope to see good punctuality and attendance sustained this half term.

School Priorities 2025-26

This year we have 3 main school priorities:

- To develop the independence of pupils, allowing them to apply their skills across the curriculum.
- Ensure teaching challenges pupils of all abilities across all areas of the curriculum.
- Develop pupils' Welsh speaking skills, particularly higher up the school to work towards T2.

ESTYN Interim Visit

On Wednesday this week we had an Interim Visit from Estyn. Two inspectors visited school for the day to monitor progress within the school. They observed lessons, spoke to pupils and staff and scrutinised pupils books, whilst focusing on our school priorities. The feedback received by the SLT at the end of the day was very positive and their findings will now be summarised within a letter, which we hope to receive at the beginning of December. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all pupils and staff for their hard work, and for just being their usual fantastic selves! The inspectors were highly complimentary of the pupils and their behaviour.

Lego Competition

Our Healthy Henri Representatives rolled out the first of their Health & Wellbeing competitions; a Lego competition, with the theme of 'The Great Outdoors' and the level of creativity and engineering within some of the entries was impressive! Well done to Violet, Freddie, Louie and Zaki for winning their Year group prizes. Congratulations to Jackson for winning the overall competition; we hope you enjoy building your Lego set. Thank you to all who entered, hopefully you enjoyed creating your models. Let's see what competition comes next!

Dates for the Diary:

Thurs 20 th Nov	Year 3 trip to Explore
Fri 21 st Nov	No school for children- Staff Training day
Wk Beg 8 th Dec	Christmas Performances

Senedd update

This year we are looking to formalise the structure of our School Senedd and empower the children further in developing our school. This week the Full Senedd met and nominated a Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. Congratulations to Max, Libby, Willow and Tahlia for successfully fulfilling these roles. The School Senedd are currently involved with developing our Adventure Playground space and the Biodiversity within the school site as a combined project with Ysgol Twm o'r Nant.

Gareth Williams- Workshop and Staff Training

On Monday this week Gareth Williams, Denbighshire's Welsh Adviser, came to school to hold a workshop with Blwyddyn 4 regarding Cymraeg Playground games. He then followed these workshops with some staff training regarding using Cymraeg on the playground with the pupils. Diolch Mr Williams.

URDD workshop with Year 3 children

On Tuesday this week Ioan from the Urdd came into school to hold workshops with both Year 3 classes about 'Hwyl yn y Gymraeg'. This involved learning dances and games that can be played within the classroom. The children enjoyed the sessions and learned some new vocabulary at the same time. He will be returning next week to carry out similar games and activities with Year 4.

Year 4 Chester Zoo

Also on Tuesday this week Year 4 attended Chester Zoo to enhance their understanding of climate change and the impact on the planet, especially animals. The children had a great day and represented Frongoch well with their excellent behaviour and inquisitive nature. Diolch to the staff involved in planning and preparing the visit.

Anti Bullying week

Next week is Anti-Bullying week. To acknowledge that everyone is different we are inviting children to participate in 'Odd Sock Day' by wearing odd socks of their choice on Monday 10th November. There is no charge for this.

Children in Need

Next Friday, 14th November it is Children in Need Day. We are inviting children to come to school wearing their own clothes, with a 'Spotty' theme, for a donation of £1. This will be payable via Parentpay direct to the charity.

Year 4 Residential Trip

The deadline for deposits for this trip has now been extended to **5th December** in the hope of allowing the trip to go ahead.

Attendance

Attendance remains a priority for Frongoch and we will share our target school attendance and also our current attendance here



Target School Attendance

94.2%

School Attendance to date

94.2%

REMEMBER punctuality is equally as important as attendance. Please try to ensure your child arrives in school for 8:45am